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was an order passed behind their backs and will the Government consider the desirability of revising that order, in the light of the representations made?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : Favourable or unfavourable the decision was the result of parleys conducted between the T.C. Government and the lessees. Whether the lessees were big or small that is a different matter. Even in the matter of implementing the decision there is trouble and that is the matter before the Court.

MR. SPEAKER : There is one other point. In the answer given there is no reference to big and small salt pan owners. So, the writ petition was filed on behalf of both and I therefore rule that no further supplementary questions should be asked. 9 a.m.

Livestock Farm

* 233 *Q*.—SRI T. SAMPATH (on behalf of SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) what extent of land had been taken over by the Animal Husbandry Department in Eachankottai, Orathanad taluk, Tanjore district for the use of the livestock farm;

(*b*) to what use has this area been put;

(*c*) whether sanction has been accorded for the construction of buildings for this farm in this area;

(*d*) if so, what buildings and at what cost; and

(*e*) whether there is a proposal to take over additional area of poramboke land available adjacent to Eachankottai?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) 336·96 acres.

(*b*) The area has been utilised for the cultivation of fodder and vegetables and for planting avenue plants.

(*c*) No Sir.

(*d*) Does not arise.

(*e*) Yes Sir.

SRI A. R. SUBBIAH MUDALIAR : ஈச்சம்கோட்டையில் இருக்கும் நிலங்களை அக்விசிஷன் எடுத்துக்கொள்வதில் காலதாமதம் ஆவதற்குக் காரணம் என்ன ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : இதில் காலதாமதம் ஒன்றும் இல்லை. இதுவரை 336 சொச்சம் ஏக்கர்கள் எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. இன்னும் 200 சொச்சம் ஏக்கர்கள் எடுத்துக் கொள்வதற்கான நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுத்து வரப்படுகின்றன. இன்னும் கொஞ்சம் நிலம் எடுப்பதற்கு உத்தேசம் இருக்கிறது. அதற்கான நடவடிக்கைகளும் எடுக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றன.